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SUBJECT:TEAMS OF EXPERTS TO MEET WITH IRANIAN GOVERNMENT
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FOR MIKLOS FROM COMMERCE UNDER SECRETARY TABOR

1. CONFIRMING OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION, OUR TWO TEAMS OF EXPERTS, ONE ON HOUSING, ONE ON HEALTH CARE, ARE FULLY PREPARED TO DEPART FEBRUARY 23 AND ARRIVE TEHRAN MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, AND TO MEET WITH IRANIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, AND WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, TO REVIEW THE POSSIBILITIES IN THE FIELDS OF HOUSING AND HEALTH SERVICE MENTIONED IN THE AGREED MINUTE OF MEETINGS OF THE ECONOMICS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

2. WILL APPRECIATE YOUR CONTACTING VICE MINISTER MEHRAN AND ASKING HIM FIRST, WHETHER HE CAN RECEIVE THE TWO AMERICAN TEAMS, AND SECOND, WHETHER IRANIAN OFFICIALS WILL BE PREPARED TO INFORM OUR TEAMS ON DETAILS OF THE SCOPE OF HOUSING AND HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS IN THE FIVE YEAR PLAN, AND THE AREAS WHERE US ASSISTANCE IS POSSIBLE. THESE DETAILS SHOULD INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO SCOPE OF PROPOSED
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PROGRAM, TIME FRAME OF MILESTONES IN THE PROGRAM, ESTIMATED

COSTS OF VARIOUS PORTIONS OF THE PROGRAM, LOCATION AND

NUMBER OF HOUSING OR HOSPITAL UNITS INVOLVED AND, IN CASE
OF HOUSING, THE LOCATION AND NUMBER OF FACTORIES INVOLVED.

3. ALSO PLEASE ADVISE MEHRAN THAT IF HE WOULD FIND IT
MORE SATISFACTORY WE WOULD, INSTEAD OF SENDING THE TWO
TEAMS, BE WILLING TO HAVE THE HOUSING AND HEALTH EXPERTS
AVAILABLE HERE IN THE US SHOULD HE WISH TO SEND HIS HOUS-
ING AND HEALTH EXPERTS TO THE US TWO OR THREE DAYS IN
ADVANCE OF THE COMMISSION. IN THIS CASE, HIS TEAM AND
OURS COULD CONFER AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH HE AND
I COULD REVIEW HERE PROMPTLY FOLLOWING HIS ARRIVAL
TO DEVELOP SOLID CONCLUSION AS TO TASKS WHICH US COULD
PERFORM.

4. PLEASE REPLY URGENTLY AS TO WHETHER MEHRAN WISHES TO
RECEIVE OUR TEAMS IN TEHRAN OR WOULD PREFER TO MEET WITH
THEM HERE.

5. PLEASE THANK MINISTER MEHRAN FOR COURTESIES EXTENDED
TO ME AND THE ENTIRE US COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS AND FINANCE
WHILE WE WERE IN TEHRAN. PLEASE ADVISE HIM I LOOK FORWARD
TO WELCOMING HIM, MINISTER ANSARY AND COLLEAGUES. ASK
HIM TO ADVISE ME THE DURATION OF HIS STAY, ANY DEPARTMENTS
HE WISHES TO VISIT AND ANY SPECIAL INTERESTS HE WISHES TO
PURSUE WHILE IN US.

6. LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
AND GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR HELP. IF TEAMS GO FORWARD,
WILL APPRECIATE YOUR HAVING BEEN MET AT AIRPORT AND AS-
SISTED WHILE IN TEHRAN.

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